

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Suzanne Kikel on 3/23/10.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 14, line 7, "an" has been replaced with--at least one--.

This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 15, 18 and 19 directed to a species non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 15, 18 and 19 have been cancelled.

In claim 22, line 3, the second instance of "the" has been deleted.

In claim 25, line 2, "at least" has been deleted.

In claim 25, lines 5-6, the phrase "wherein said threaded carrier with said jackbolts is secured in each of said four threaded apertures for extending from said carrier" has been replaced with the phrase --wherein said at least one threaded carrier comprises four threaded carriers and wherein each of said threaded carriers with said jackbolts is secured in one of said threaded apertures for extending from said threaded carrier--.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JAMES M. HEWITT whose telephone number is (571)272-7084. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 930am-600pm.

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